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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND STATEMENT OF RELATEDNESS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant wishes to draw the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to the references cited on the accompanying form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents are enclosed.

With respect to patent applications, the applicants point out their duty under M.P.E.P. §2001.06(b) to disclose relevant patent applications of which they are aware. To this end, the applicants draw the Examiner's attention to the following patent applications;

United States Serial Number 08/742,376, filed November 01, 1996, now U.S.
 Patent Number 6,187,532 B1.

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None of the foregoing references are believed to disclose the invention as claimed. Nothing herein shall constitute an admission concerning the contents of any of the cited references, nor shall the inclusion of a reference herein be considered an admission that the reference constitutes prior art against the invention claimed in the above-identified application. Submission of the present document shall not be construed as an admission that a search has been made or that better art does not exist.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113. The required fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Our Order No. A-62394-2/RFT/TAL/SRN).

Respectfully submitted,

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